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St. Louis Park, Minn.

Paul E. White

April 3, 1968

INSULATION FIRE - WO 211B

STO. 15 March 29, 1968 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Last Friday our refinery still fireman, Tom Cheswick finished filling stills and went down to shut off the pump. We have an arrangement in the stills so that we can reverse the pumps and pump down to a 13 inch outage (via a suction leg in the stills). He had shut off the pump and started to reverse the valves when a valve wheel fell off. He spent sometime putting the wheel back on and reversing the line to blow out. When he went back he found that the tar from the tank had continued to flow by gravity through the pump into #15 still. The still had overflowed out the gage pipe and onto the insulation covering. It got into the insulation and ignited on the hot still.

We had to tear away the back third of the insulation on the still and also the insulation at the end. The tar had run onto the metal covering and into the insulation. The ensuing fire damage was slight but tar saturated the insulation over the back third and end of the still.

Yours very truly,

P. E. White

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Work order 211B assigned
to replace portion of insulation: \$600 223732

